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EUGENE L. STEELE, 95

Eugene L. Steele, 95, of Clearwater, Florida, passed away on Monday, September 28, 2015. Gene was born in December 1919 in Franklin, Pa., to Rood P. and Ella N. Steele. He attended high school in Franklin and then graduated from the Robert Morris School of Business in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1941, Eugene married Lois Mae Cowin, also of Franklin.

Eugene volunteered for military service in July 1944, was assigned to the 28th Infantry Division and served in Belgium, France, and Germany. Always outgoing, Eugene befriended a family in Belgium, a relationship that continued with several exchanges of visits and weekly phone calls for 70 years up to and including the day of his passing.

After World War II Eugene returned to Franklin and his employer, the Printz Co, a regional fine clothing chain. During his 36-year tenure, he rose to positions as Secretary-Treasure and Director.

In 1950 Eugene, Lois and their three children relocated to Jamestown NY where he was active in the First Methodist Church and was a member of the church choir. Gene was also active and selected for leadership roles in many service and civic organizations. He was a past president of the Maplehurst Country Club, the Jamestown Shrine Club and played cymbals and glockenspiel in the Shrine Drum and Bugle Corps.

In 1985 Eugene and Lois relocated to Clearwater, Florida where he was a member of the Clearwater Country Club, an ardent stamp collector, and a computer enthusiast. Eugene designed and coded his own financial management program which he maintained throughout the rest of his life. He also presently served as Director of Eupen Cable U.S.A. Inc, a division of Kablewerk Eupen AG of Eupen, Belgium.



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In 2012, Lois and Gene relocated to the Horizon Bay Assisted Living Residence in Clearwater, where they lived the rest of their years. In 2013 Lois and Gene were honored in television and newspaper features when they renewed their vows after 72 years of marriage.

Eugene was preceded in death by his wife, Lois; his parents; one daughter, Doris Pattison; two brothers, Harry and Donald Steele; and a sister, Geraldine Hamilton. His survivors include a brother, Glenn Steele and his wife Joanne, of Coral Springs, FL; a sister, Peg Vredevoogd and her husband Denny, of Jenison, MI. Also surviving are a daughter, Beverly McMichael and her husband James of Novi, MI; a son William Steele and his wife Kathryn of Plattsburgh, NY; grandchildren Donald Pettit and his wife Valerie of Anchorage, AK; Gene Pettit and his wife Anne, of Elma, NY; Marci Maro and her husband, Robin of Lecanto, FL; Jeffrey Franklin of Allen Park, MI; Bradley Franklin and his wife Karyn, of White Lake, MI; Katherine McMichael of San Diego, CA; Julie Steele-Goodwin and her husband, Aaron of Plattsburgh, NY; and Matthew Steele of Plattsburgh, NY. He is also survived by fourteen great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted at 12:30 PM, October 20, 2015 at the Moss Feaster Funeral Home in Dunedin, FL. It will be preceded by a gathering of relatives and friends at 11:30 AM. Interment will be at Bay Pines Veterans Cemetery immediately following the memorial service. Memorials in his name may be made to the Suncoast Hospice or to a charity of your choice.



Events

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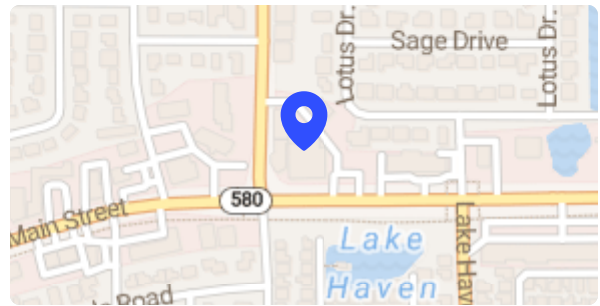
Visitation

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

11:30 AM ET

Moss Feaster Funeral Home and Cremation Services - Dunedin

1320 Main Street, Dunedin FL 34698



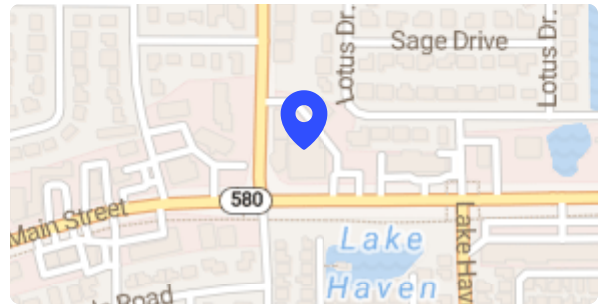
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Peggy & Denny, Janice And Lisa sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Steele family.

October 16 at 2:10 PM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Steele family.

October 16 at 5:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Steele family.

October 16 at 5:40 AM



Dave Conroe lit a candle in honor of Eugene.

Gene was a great person. I will deeply miss him. My heartfelt sympathy goes to the surviving members of he family.

October 11 at 11:47 AM



Patsy Smeragliuolo posted:

Our sincere condolences to Gene's family. He was a wonderful, kind and fun neighbor for twenty some years. We will miss him and his Christmas yearly updates. Pat & Beverly Smeragliuolo Jamestown, New York

October 11 at 7:46 AM



Robert Printz Moran posted:

Gene was a great person to know, and he was always willing to share his advice and knowledge. He worked for are family business for over 30 years. My heartfelt codolences go out to his family.

October 6 at 5:25 PM



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PM

Pat Mauthe posted:

It was with great sadness that I learned of Gene's passing. He was a close and valued friend and neighbor for many years here in Lake Tiffany. He was a kind, intelligent, an accomplished man and I learned a great deal from him over the years, as he was always willing to share his knowledge. He will be dearly missed. My heartfelt sympathy goes out to Bill, Beverly, and all of his family and friends. Pat Mauthe, Dunedin FL October 5, 2015

October 5 at 10:09 AM

KG

Karoline Gladnick posted:

Eugene was a man who was full of life, had wonderful stories to tell, and had a beautiful positive outlook. I send my sincere condolences to his family. I know he cherished you. I have enjoyed his talks with me over the last 15 years at Eupen. His mind was so sharp, and he was a joy to be around. I will miss him. Karoline Gladnick

October 2 at 4:55 AM

DE

Diane Ehrman posted:

Dear Bev and Bill: I just want to send my sincere condolences to you and your families. I have many fond memories of Aunt Lois and Uncle Eugene (as well as fun memories of us when we were kids), and I want you to know that you and your families are in my prayers and thoughts. Your cousin, Diane (Steele) Ehrman

October 1 at 7:40 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Eugene by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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